MINISTER MAKES A PERILOUS TRIP

Rev. J. W. Briscoe Disregards the Elements in Order to Visit His III Wife.

A NEGRO'S BELATED TRIAL

Willie Wilson Taken to North Carolina-A Pastor Is Called to Portsmouth.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, Feb. 13.-After a Journe fraught with peril and hardship, the Rev. J. W. Briscoe, pastor of the Methodist Church at Holland's Island, Md., reached the bedside of his wife in Norfolk Saturday night. In a blinding snow-storm the minister walked across an arm of the frozen Chesapeake Bay, a distance of six miles, continued his journey ten miles on the mainland afoot, made his way across another wide stretch in a rowboat that threatened every minute to break to pieces in the heavy ice floes, then drove

pieces in the heavy lee floes, then drove twenty-four miles across country to Cambridge, Mr., where he caught a railroad train for Norfolk.

Holland's Island, the home of the Briscoes, has been completely cut off from the rest of the world since January 17th. No boats have been able to get through the ice to that town, and there has been no telegraphic communication possible to any place, consequently the pastor had no means of knowing the condition of his sick wife in Norfolk. He found her almost well.

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NEGRO TO BE TRIED.

Willie Wilson, the colored boy arrested here three weeks ago upon the charge of killing C. C. Powers, a white youth in Moyock, N. C., last August, has been carried back to Carolina for trial.

Sheriff Barnes, of Currituck, took him on requisition papers. This is the case in which the parents of the accused boy declare that the killing of young Powers was an accident, and occurred while the two boys were gunning together. Wilson remained in Moyock from August to October without action against him. In October he came to Norfolk with his parents and the local authorities were requested to apprehend him, which they did. The body of Cody Young Savage was sent to Suffolk for burial to-day. He died yesterday after a long liness. He was thirty-six years of age. He leaves a widow.

PRAIRIE'S DESTINATION.
Orders for the United States training ship Prairle, which arrived at the navy-yard yesterday from Port Royal, S. C. have been changed. After docking for repairs, she will go to Washington, where the several hundred haval apprentices she has aboard will participate in the inaugural parade on March 4th.
The seventy-six cases of diphtheria, which the Prairie had aboard, were all left in the Naval Hospital at Port Royal, E. C., and she has a clean bill of health. Vincent Phelps, a young white man of Portsmouth, was accessed this morning on a beach warrant issued by Judge James F. Crocker, in the Court of Hustings.

Vincent, together with Thomas L. Sav. age and Joseph Linwood Sykes, were in-dicted by the last grand jury in the Court of Hustings on complaints of their wives who allege that their husbands have left who allege that their husbands have left them and that they fail to support them. The congregation of the Fourth Bap-tist Church, of Portsmouts, has called the Rev. C. J. D. Parker, of Durham, N. C., to be pastor of the church, in place of Rev. A. J. Friscoe, resigned to came to the Park Avenue Baptist Church, Nor-folk. He has intimated that he will ac-cept.

NO BOND LIMIT.

Legal Opinion on Staunton Goes to Supreme Court.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)
STAUNTON, VA., February 12.—Judge Holt,
of the Corporation Court to-day handed down
his opinion in the test suit of Alexander
tobertson vs. city of Staunton, recently
brought to test the city's legal bond limit
mader section 127 of the Constitution. In which
he held that there is no legal limit now
stisting as to the amount of bonded indebtdness which this city may incur, and that
he constitutional limit of eighteen per cent
of the real estate assessment does not apply
o Staunton.

A NEW MEMBER.

William M. King on Republican State Committee.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ALEXANDRIA, VA., Feb. 13.—The Republican Congressional Committee for the Highth District net here his afternoon and elected William and the Committee of the Highth Highest Committee of the Highest Committee of the Committee of Joseph L. Crupper, of this city, Chairman H. P. Dodge, of Manasas, presided, Skovral speeches were made, containing complimentary references to the former State chairman, Mr. Park Agnew, of this city.

Fire at Urbanna.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

WEST POINT, VA., Feb. 13.—The store bouse of J. Hess & Son burned at Urbanna Saturday night. This firm has a large department store in West Point, and several years has had one in Urbanna. The building, a brick house, belonged to Mr. Upton, and was not insured. The stock was insured for 3,000. After business was closed Saturday night some one detected the smell of smock. Fire was found in the rear of the store. Cause of the fire is unknown.

CURES WITHOUT STOMACH DOSING.

ozone.

T. A. Miller's drug store sells Hyomei on a guarantee plan, offering to refund the money if it does not give complete satisfaction. Mail order's will be filled promptly on receipt of price; complete guidis, \$1.00; extra bottles, 50 cents.

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Tetter, Milk Crust, Psoriasis, etc., on the skin, scalp, or infants or adults which

are instantly relieved and speedily cured by baths with **CUTICURA SOAP**

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MAYOR M'CARTHY AND THE PASTORS

Rev. Dr. H. E. Johnson Endorses His Attitude in a Special Sermon Sunday.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SUFFOLK, VA., Feb. 13 -In a serme "Popular Amusements, Good and Bad," Dr. H. E. Johnson at the Main Street Methodist Church last night high ly commended Mayor McCarthy, of Richmond, for his action in ordering down

Idashy posters of show girls.

Jesse Little, of Norfolk county, Va., and Miss Evic Lee Barnes, a daughter of Robert Barnes, were married in Suffolk Sunday in the study of Dr. W. W.

Staley.

AIDING JUDGE MANN.

An anti-liquor crusade, supposed by some persons to be prosecuted in the interests of Judge Mann's candidacy for Governor, is being waged throughout this Secretary West, of the Virginia Anti-

Saloon League, held a meeting in the Christian Church, and another to-night in

Christian Church, and another to-night in the Bantlat Church.

Rev. Dr. Taylor has concluded a series of temperance meetings in Franklin, and Rev. J. F. B. Tinling, of Liverpool, is announced to hold temperance services in Holland on Thursday and Friday,

LOCAL OPTION.

The "Drys" here are advocating a local outlon election.

election. Sheriff Baker, of Suffolk, to-day brought Sheriff Baker, of Surink, to-any Prolight back from Pelersburg, Va., where he was arrested. Joseph Ayers, white, accused of robbing the Bowen and Street Equip-ment Company, by which he was em-ployed. Ayers was remanded without ball.

Stafford Man to Retire, But Senator Shackleford, of Orange, to Run Again.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Feb. 13 .-Dr. G. M. Wallace, of Stafford county, posed of Stafford, Spotsylvania and Louisa counties, and the city of Fredericksburg, for re-election. Judge F. W. Sims, of my ouisa, is mentioned as his successor. State Senator George S. Shackleford, o range, who represents the district com osed of Orange, Culpeper and Mathews ounties, announces that he will be a can-

CHESTERFIELD COURT.

Bad Weather Induces the Judge to Postpone Cases.

(Special to The Times-Unpatch.)
CHESTERFIELD, VA., Feb. 13.—Judg
Watson to-day opened the February term o
the Circuit Court here, Judge J. M. Gregory
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weather and atlend court, for a part of the
day, though still far from well. Owing to hi
day, though still far from well.

morrow, and the jury summoned has week may been notified as far as practical not to attend court.

Booker's case and all the other criminal cases now on docket have been continued until the April term. The common law suits were likewise continued, the judge out of consideration for the jurers and witnesses who would have to come through bad weather and over ley roads and be kept at court for days, declining to go into the trial of these cases at present.

The term ill, therefore, necessarily be short, some chancery business being about all that will engage the judge after to-day.

SENSATIONAL CASE.

Merchant Sued for Damages by a Girl of Twelve. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

(Special to The Times-Dispation.)
WINCHESTER, VA., Feb. 13.—The sult for \$19,000 damages filed last December by Miss Bfile Beltsch, the pretty twelve-year-old daughter of John Beltsch, ngainst Oliver F. Faulkner, a prominent dry goods and shoe merchant, came up for trial to-day in the Frederick county Circuit Court before a jury of seven county men. Judge Thomas W. Harrison presided.
On account of probable sensational testing the sensational testing testing the sensational testing the sensational testing testing the sensational testing testing the sensational testing testing testing the sensational testing testing testing testing testing testing testing testing testing

county men, Judge Thomas W. Harrison presided.

On account of probable sensational testimony, the court, with consent of counsel for both sides, excluded the public, and admitted only principals, court officials, witnesses, lawyers and two reporters. A large nember of people from town and county sought admission, but were refused, causing much comment.

Miss Beitsch alleges that while in the Faulkner store she was, at the hands of defendant, "greatly hurt and injured and did suffer great mental anguish, slame and dishonor."

The case has attracted extraordinary

SURPRISE MARRIAGE.

An Unexpected Wedding Cere-

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(Snecial to The Times-Dispatch.)

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WINCHESTER, VA., Feb. 13.—After a led large party of guests had gathered at the lome of Conrad Heironimus, at Whits daustier, Miss Neille Heironimus, and Sprinest Jackson, of Capon Bridge, W. Va., and Drinest Jackson, of Capon Bridge, W. Va., and Drinest Jackson, of Capon Bridge, W. Va., and Drinest Jackson, of Capon Bridge, W. Va., and Bridge W. Va., and Bridge W. Va., and Bridge W. Shill, a beautiful young girl, formerly of this city, but now of Goonoke, and Raymond B. Barlowe were married in Hagerstown, where by previous arrangement she journeyed to meet the groom.

HICKS INDICTED BY GRAND JURY

True Bill Brought Against Specialist Who Formerly Practiced in This City.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Feb. 13.—The Corporation Court grand jury to-day re-turned indictments in about fifteen cases, Among the true bills is one against Dr. S. Delancy Hicks, the specialist, who is charged with raising a City Bank deposit ellp for \$10 to \$500, and attempting to realize on the paper. Dr. Hicks is still in jail, to effort having been made by his relatives to have him released on ball. The

tryes to have him released on ball. The prisoner's father, who is a tobacconist of Washington, D. C., statted here several weeks ago that als son's mind was unbalanced.

True bills were also found against Claude B. Vaughn and Peter Schnatz, both charged with criminal assault. The alleged victims in both of these cases are little girls.

Gompers Coming.

Captain J. E. Williams, immigration inspector for this port, to-day arrested Soran Soranson and Peter Swanson, on the charge of enticing seamen from their vessels. The prisoners are held for a hearing before the United States commissioner.

sioner.

Arrangements are being made for a great mass meeting at the Academy of Music. Wednesday night, under the auspices of the Central Labor Union. W. H. Leonard, of Cripple Creek, Col., a representative of the Western Federation of Labor, will be the principal speaker, and his subject will be the conditions existing in the mining regions of Colorado, Samuel P. Gobpers, president of the American Federation of Labor, has been invited to be present, and the committee in charge is confident that he will accept.

House Burned House Burned.

The residence of Major Hess, keeper of the cemetery of the National Soldiers' Home at Hampton, was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. The Major and his family were not aroused until the fire, which started in some unknown manner, had gained considerable headway. They narrowly escaped death in the flames, and reached the outside in their underglothes. The fire department their underclothes. The fire department of the Hampton Normal School wa standing. The exact extent of the loss is not known, but it is understood to be covered by insurance. The building be-longed to the government.

VARIOLOID IS RAMPANT IN A BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ROANOKE, VA., Feb. 13.—Seventeen cases of varioloid have developed in the flaptist Orphanage in Salem. The disease is said to be confined to the Ellett cotage, which is occupied by small boys.
Other buildings have been quarantined against it, and the town of Salem has established a quarantine against the Orphanage.

Columbus, Ohio, May 19, 1903.

Some four years ago I was suffering from impure blood and a general runfrom impure blood and a general rundown condition of the system. I had no appetite, was losing flesh, and had an all-gone tired feeling that made me miserable. I began the use of S. S. s., and after taking seven or eight bottles my skin was cleared of all cruptions and took on a ruddy, healthy glow that assured methat my blood had been restored to its normal, healthy condition. My appetite was restored, as I could eat anything put before me, and as I regained my appetite restored, as I could eat anything put before me, and as I regained my appetite I increased in weight, and that "tired feeling" which worried me so much disappeared, and I was once again my old self. I heartily recommend S. S. S. as the best blood purifier and tonic made, and strongly advise its use to all those in need of such medicine. VICTOR STUBBINS. Cor. Barthman and Washington Aves.

Wheeling, W. V., May 28, 1903.
My system was run down and my joints ached and pained me considerably. I had used S. S. S. before and knew what it was, so I purchased a bottle of it and have taken several bottles and the aches and pains are gone, my blood has been cleased and my general health built up. I can testify to it as a blood purifier and tonic.

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write us and our physicians will advise you free. Our book on blood and skin diseases sent free. The Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Ga.

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WILL WITHDRAW, SAYS MR. ROBBINS

The Reduction of Refrigeration Charges Will Drive Companies From Business.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13.—George B. Robbins, president of the Armour Car Lines, who will appear before a subcommittee of the House Committee on Inter

Lines, who will appear before a subcommittee of the House Committee on Interstate Commerce to-morrow morning, sinted to-day that should Congress enact legislation which would result in reducing their refrigeration charges to any extent or to an unprofitable basis, his company would naturally withdraw from the business. Mr. Robbins was very frank about the matter, "We are in business to make a fair profit," he said; "in making our charges we estimate the expense of handling the business and add a fair percentage for profits.

"Notwithstanding the enormous sums that been allesed we have made from this business, every dollar of net revenue from the operation of the car lines, and enormous sums besides, have been invested in constructing additional and improved cars, in shereasing our lefts facilities by the crection of lee-making plants, and in every way in giving a more improved service. Simultaneously, as the business has grown, we have been reducing our charges, until to-day we give a much better service for less money than ever before. No one will dony that the improvements in refrigerator cars and the handling thereof has been almost entirely responsible for the bremendous growth of the fruit industry of the United States in the past ten years. If Congress should so legislate that we will be unable to carn a fair return to the conditions which prevailed ten years ago.

Mr. Robbins will be followed by Mr. A. R. Urlon, general counsel of the Armour Car Line Company, who will direct as to the regulation or abolishing of relirons car lines. It is contended by all the private car lines that they are not common carriers, but merely rent their cars to railroad companies.

LOCATE REMAINS OF

JOHN PAUL JONE

BATTLE HOUSE BURNED.

Total Fire Loss in Mobile Will

Amount to \$400,000.

(By Associated Press.)

MOBILE, ALA., Feb. 13.—The fire which destroyed the Battle House, Mobile's historic hotel; the Commercial Hotel, and several adjoining buildings, was gotten under control at daylight to-day. The total loss is aboat \$400,000. There was no loss of life, but Fire Chief Price and Foreman McMahon were inlured by fulling bricks. The Battle House was destroyed, and the loss is placed at \$300,000 insurance, one-half. The loss on the Commercial Hotel, which adjoins the Battle House, on Royal Street, aggregates \$30,000, and that on the Graliam Printing Comand that on the Graham Printing Com-pany, \$30,000. There were several smaller losses! Many offices on St. Francis Street, opposite the Battle House, was flooded. The origin of the fire has not been as-

Meetings in the City Fill Hostelries-Prominent People Here.

The coming of the members of the Grant Lodgo of Masons of Virginia, which convenes to-night at the Temple, and of the member of the Good Roads State Committee, which will meet at Murphy's Hotel this morning added somewhat to the list of hotel arrivals Grand Master Thomas N, Davis, of Lynchburg Arrived yesterday, and is at the Richmond Many other prominent members of the order are expected in the city to-day.

the State and the discussion of practical road problems. The committee compists of the following: Mr. Henry Warden, of Fredericksburg, First District; Mr. C. T. Jones, Portsmouth; Second District; Mr. Joseph Bryan, of Richmond, Third District; Hon. C. T. Lassiter, of Petersburg, Fourth District; Mr. W. N. Ruffin, of Danville, Fifth District; Mr. W. N. Ruffin, of Danville, Fifth District; Mr. W. P. Bibb, of Charlottesville, Seventh District, J. T. Wanning, of Statem of State District, Mr. A. P. Bibb, of Charlottesville, Seventh District, J. T. Wanning, of Statem of State District, Mr. A. P. Bibb, of Charlottesville, Seventh District, Mr. A. P. Bibb, of Charlottesville, Seventh District.

Rutha, of Danville, Fifth District, Mr. M.
H. Tinsley, of Salem, Sixth District; Mr. A.
P. Bibb, of Charlotteaville, Seventh District;
J. T. Wampler, of Culpeper Eighth District;
Ninth District, man to be chosen; Judge J.
O. Shopherd, Palmyra, Tenth District.

Judge William R. Barksdale, of Halifax, arrived in the city yesterday on business for a day or two. He is at Murphy's.
Frofessor William B. Allwood, of Charlottesville, is in the city to attend the meeting of advocates of good roads to be had at Murphy's to-day with the second was formerbrittute at Blacksburg. Tignia Polytechnic Instruction of the second was formerstruction of the second was formerstruction. I. P. Stearness of Newport News, accompanied by his wife, arrived in the city
yesterday, and is at Murphy's.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Ralfroad on Sat-

Mr. W. O. Sydnor, of Staunton, traveling freight agent of the Chesapenie and Ohio Railroad, is in the city, steoping at Murphy's.

Annong the arrivale at Murphy's Hotol yestern of the control of Pulasake C. S. Cambeater, of Alexandria; Paul Petiti, of Pluxanni; James L. Tallaferro; H. A. Tallaferro, of Gloucester county; C. B. Marshall, F. J. Paff, of Alexandria; H. W. Earnick, and wife, of Lovetiaville; W. N. Tiffany, of Fauquier; Dr. S. T. A. Kent, of Halfax; William R. Barksdale, of Houston; W. N. Ruffin, of Danville; R. D. Patterson, of Chase City; W. O. Sydnor, of Staunton; W. R. Alivord, of Charlest of Charl



The Equitable Life Assurance Society



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ASSETS.

Bonds and Mortgages \$81,623,709.11 Real Estate in New York, United States, State, City

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Interest and Rents.
(Disc \$73,052.53, Accrued \$550,436 \$5) Premiums due and in process Deferred Premiums 2,631,969.00

LOCATE REMAINS OF

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 13.—President Roosevelt. In transmitting to Congress the report of Ambassador Porter concerning the efforts to locate the remains of Admiral John Paul Jones, has urged the recetion of monuments for both Paul Jones and John Rarry, "to emphasize the value set by our people upon the achievements, of the navel commanders in our war of independence." The President endorses the work of Ambassador Porter and asks Congress to appropriate the \$25,000 to conduct the search for the body of Paul Jones in the abandoned cemetery of St. Louis, where it is believed to have been buried in 1792.

Amount to \$400,000.

AT THE HOTELS.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Italiroad on Saturday opened for use its new and handsome passes ground from the new and handsome passes ground from the new and handsome passes ground from the new station is built of stone and brick, and was recently constructed at a cost 130,000. It is an ornament to the city and a great improvement over the old station. President Stevers, General Manager Doyle and other railroad officials a few days ago visited the city and inspected the new property. Mr. W. O. Sydnor, of Staumton, traveling Freight agent of the Chesaperke and Ohio Railroad, is in the city, **Control of the New York of t

Should know that if their various organs were strong and healthy they would not be in that state of mind. Happiness depends entirely on good health, and to recover this priceless possession Hostetter's Stomuch Bitters is needed. Its 50 years' record proves its worth in cases of Monthly Irregularities, Sick Headache, Siceptessness, Unstrung Nerves, Backnehe, Indigestion and Dyspepsia. We urge all sickly women to try HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS.

Forty-fifth Annual Statement, for the Year Ending December 31, 1904. INCOME

Premium Receipts \$62,643,836.74 Interest, Rents, etc. 16,432,859.21 Income \$79,076,695.95

DISBURSEMENTS.

Death Claims \$18,049,539.35 Endowments and deferred 8,425,950,14 980, 349.94 Annuities Surrender Values 2,931,305.36 6,001,902.51 Dividends to Policyholders.

Paid Policyholders . \$36,389,047.30 Commissions, advertising, 632,508.78 All other disbursements . . . 7,179,318.42 Real Estate Sinking Fund . 500,000.00

Total Assets \$413,953,020.74

5,313,556.00

We hereby certify to the correctness of the above statement. A. W. MAINE, Associate Auditor. FRANCIS W JACKSON, Auditor. H. R. COURSEN, Amilant Auditor.

LIABILITIES. Assurance Fund (or Reserve) \$327,738,358.00 All other Liabilities 5.420,393.53

ance \$1,495,542,892.00 Total Liabilities . . . \$333,158,751.53 Surplus . . , \$80,794,269.21

ASSURANCE.

Disbursements \$51,968,651.45

INSTACMENT POLICIES STATED AT THEIR COMMUTED VALUES. Outstanding Assur-

New Assurance, less

Assurance not taken . \$222,920,037.00

We hereby certify to the correctness of the above statement. The Reserve as per the independent valuation of the N. Y. Insurance Department, is \$326,523,126. For Superintendent's certificate see Detailed Statement.

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We have examined the accounts and Assets of the Society, and certify to the correctness of the foregoing

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HOW A DIAMOND RING WAS LOST AND FOUND

A Peculiar Incident at Scottsville That Leads to Some

Reminiscences.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) SCOTTSVILLE, VA., February 13 .- Mr J. V. Pereiva, of this place, lost a valuable diamond ring on the afternoon of the 6th. He had been out riding on horseback in the Glendover neighborhood and supposed that he dropped it on the road

back in the Giendover neighborhood and supposed that he dropped it on the road somewhere, so gave up all hope of eyer seeing it again.

Last Saturday a young lady, while out coasting, found the ring near the Presbyterian Church, in Scottsville, not far from the owner's home.

The street is a much trayeled thoroughfare, but there the ring had lain for nearly a week under ice, snow, snow plow wheels and horses' hoofs without the slightest injury to jewel or setting.

Several other stories of lost jewelry are told by ladies in the neighborhood. One lost a scarf pin just as her cook left her and was sure the servant had "swiped" it, but a year afterward, it was found in a pile of chips at the door of the woodhouse in the school yard. A second lost a cameo ring when a little child, and fifteen years after, her little nephews and nieces, digging about a rose bush in the yard, uncarrited the little ring, uninjured. Still another was feeding ducks at a pond under a hill. Soon after she discovered that her heavy gold wedding ring was gone, and supposed she had thrown it into the water. Twenty years after her son was chasing an unruly horse over the same hill. In 'a hoof-print he spied something shiny, it was his mother's wedding ring.

A literary society will shortly be organized here, to meet in the Graded School building.

A BOARDING-HOUSE (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

(Special to The Times-Disputch.)
GORDONSVILLE, VA., Feb. 13.—Mr. E.
W. Bowen's house, on Main Street, was
totally destroyed by fire at an early
hour Sunday morning. The fire was first
discovered about 7 o'clock, and within five
minutes every room was ablaze. The
building was, perhaps, the handsomest
in the city. It was used as a boarding
house,

Many narrow escapes were made by the boarders, none of them saving anything but a few articles of clothing.

Mr. Bowen's loss is estimated at \$5,000, with an insurance of only \$1,500. Rev. D. E. Hanna was the next heaviest loser, his loss being put at over \$1,000, with no insurance.

ACCEPTS THE CALL.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Dr. B. F. Wilson, D. D., formerly of
Spartanburg, S. C., preached in the Pressylterian Church Sunday morning and
night. A call to the pastorate of the
church had been extended to him several
weeks ago, and at the morning service
he made public his acceptance of the
call. Dr. Wilson enjoys the reputation of
being a fine preacher. He will take
charge of the church the first week in
March.

In Receiver's Hands.

In ACCEIVET'S FIRINGS.

In the Circuit Court of Cumberland count; yesterday Judge W. M. Smith was appointe receiver to take charge of and wind up the fifth of the Virginia Mutual Assurance Association. The offices of the concern are located in the Chamber of Comnerce in the city. The receiver was appointed on motion of J. W. Huzeigrove, of Cumberland, a policy holder. Judge Smith will remove all the effects of the concern to Cumberland Courthouse to-day.

DESERT ADDICKS AND VOTE FOR DUPONT

(By Associated Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Peb. 13.—A special to the Evening Telegraph from Dover, Delaware, says:

The senatorial situation took a change to-day, when it was announced on good authority that eight of the Union Republican assembly hen, will desert J. Edward Addicks during this week and cast their votes for T. Coleman Dupont, of 'Wilmington, the millionaire president of the Dupont Fowder Company, for senator. This agreement was reached after conferences had been held this morning by the members concerned in the movement. This will be the outsome of the recent rumors that have been current on the subject of a break, and it will mark the first desertion from the Addicks ranks since the session of 1855. It has not been announced on what day the break will be made.

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